

### **REMARKS**

In response to the final Office Action dated July 15, 2009, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration. All of the issues raised in the Office Action have been carefully considered and are addressed herein. The application as presented is believed to be in allowable condition.

Applicants note with appreciation that claims 3-7 and 19-21 are objected to as depending from rejected base claims, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form to include all of the limitations of their respective base claims and any intervening claims.

**Accordingly, to accept subject matter deemed allowable by the Examiner and thereby place the application in condition for allowance, Applicants have amended the claims as follows:**

- **Dependent claims 3, 7, and 19 have been rewritten in independent form, including all of the limitations of their respective base claims;**
- **Independent claims 2 and 17 and dependent claim 18 have been canceled without prejudice;**
- **Constructively withdrawn claims 10-16 have been cancelled without prejudice, and**
- **Dependent claims 8 and 9 have been amended to update their dependencies.**

In view of the foregoing amendments, this application should now be in condition for allowance, and entry of the amendments is respectfully requested.

If the Examiner believes that the application is not in condition for allowance, the Examiner is requested to call the Applicants' representative at the telephone number below to discuss any outstanding issues relating to the allowability of the application. If there is a fee occasioned by this response, including an extension fee, please charge any deficiency to Deposit Account No. 141270.

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Respectfully submitted,

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